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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Office Action Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/604,763	HSU ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Julio J. Maldonado	2823	

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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) 17-20 is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) ____ is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) 1-16 is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____ . |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Objections

1. Claim 7 is objected to because of the following informalities: In claim 7, line 5, where applicants recite "...removethe undoped..." should recite -- remove the undoped --. Appropriate correction is required.
2. Claim 10 is objected to because of the following informalities: In claim 10, lines 7-10, applicants recite, "...first column of "...the deep trenches and a plurality of a second column of the deep trenches, and the first column of the deep trenches crosses over the second column of the deep trenches...". However, it seems that there is no description of such limitation in the disclosed specification and/or the submitted drawings. Appropriate correction is required.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-9 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the claim objection, set forth in this Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.
4. Claims 10-16 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the claim objection, set forth in this Office action.
5. Claims 17-20 are allowed.
6. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: the prior art fails to teach forming an undoped semiconductor layer in an upper part of each of the plurality of deep trenches at a border of each deep trench that is

adjacent to an active region; and doping a region of said undoped semiconductor layer except at regions adjacent to said active region.

Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to examiner Julio J. Maldonado whose telephone number is (571) 272-1864. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday.
8. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Olik Chaudhuri, can be reached on (571) 272-1855. The fax number for this group is 703-872-9306 for before final submissions, 703-872-9306 for after final submissions and the customer service number for group 2800 is (703) 306-3329.

Updates can be found at <http://www.uspto.gov/web/info/2800.htm>.

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